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SUBJECT: NEW APPOINTMENTS IN THE MINISTRY OF
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1. SHEN CHIH-WEI (3947/1807/0251) WAS IDENTIFIED AS THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE AMERICAN AND OCEANIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) FOR THE FIRST TIME IN NCNA'S APRIL 17 ACCOUNT OF VICE PREMIER KU MU'S MEETING WITH THE NEW PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE PRC. SHEN'S KNOWN PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENTS WERE AS CHARGE D'AFFAIRES OF THE PRC EMBASSY IN BULGARIA DURING 1972 AND AS COUNSELLOR AND CHARGE D'AFFAIRES OF THE PRC EMBASSY IN GREECE DURING 1973.

2. A SECOND POSSIBLE NEW MFA APPOINTMENT SURFACED IN A JAPANESE NEWS AGENCY DISPATCH CARRIED IN THE APRIL 17 HONG HONG DAILY NEWS EXPRESS IDENTIFYING KO HUA (2688/5478) AS THE NEW DIRECTOR OF THE ASIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. ACCORDING TO THE JAPANESE REPORT, WHICH HAS YET TO BE CONFIRMED BY NCNA, KO HOSTED A BANQUET FOR THE VISITING CHIEF OF THE JAPANESE
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FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ASIAN AFFAIRS BUREAU.

3. AN EXPERIENCED MFA CAREERIST, KO HAS SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE MINISTRY'S PROTOCOL DEPARTMENT (1955-60), DIRECTOR OF THE WEST ASIAN AND AFRICAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT (1956-60), AND HIS COUNTRY'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO GUINEA (1960-64). IN 1960 HE ALSO INITIATED NEGOTIATIONS THAT CULMINATED IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PRC AND MALI. KO WAS DIRECTOR OF THE MFA'S AFRICAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT FROM 1964 UNTIL AT LEAST 1967. IN THAT CAPACITY HE ACCOMPANIED PREMIER CHOU EN-LAI ON THE LATTER'S 1965 AFRICAN TOUR AND WAS AN ADVISER TO THE PRC DELEGATION TO THE ABORTED SECOND AFRO-ASIAN CONFERENCE SCHEDULED THAT YEAR. KO'S FIRST POST-CULTURAL REVOLUTION ASSIGNMENT WAS AS AMBASSADOR TO GHANA FROM SEPTEMBER 1972 UNTIL AT LEAST 1974.

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